



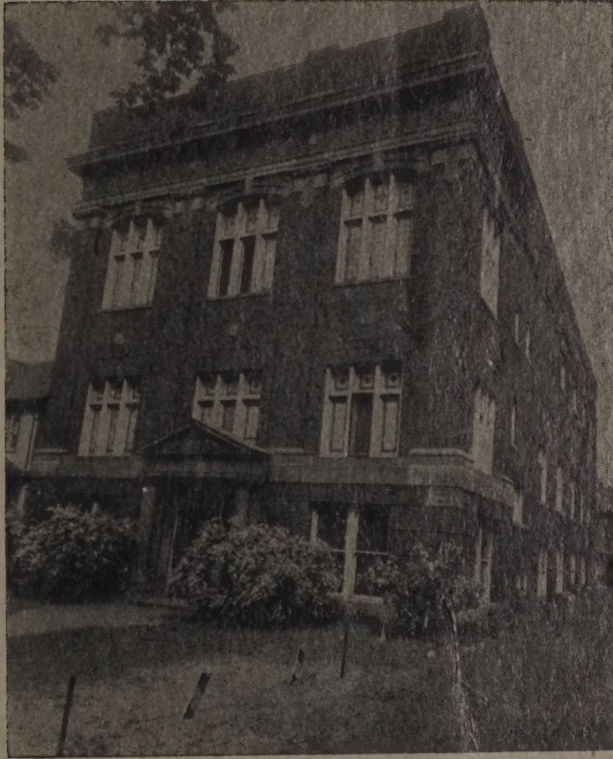
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WARSAW LODGE NO. 73

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WARSAW LODGE No. 73 F. & A. M.



Joe C. Paxton, Worshipful Master

OFFICERS, 1949

ROBERT S. ZIMMER	_____	S.W.
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ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONRY IN WARSAW, INDIANA

During the year 1848, the Warsaw Lodge worked under Grand Lodge Dispensation, and one hundred years ago, or on June 1, 1849, a charter was granted to Brother William Parks, and 14 other masons to hold a lodge in Warsaw, this being the sixth charter granted by Worshipful Grand Master Elizur Demming during that session.

The lodge was then known as Warsaw Lodge No. 73 and held meetings in the old Empire Block, Market and Buffalo Streets. The first four initiated and raised were C. W. Chapman, W. C. Graves, J. W. Pottenger and Jacob Bop, the first two becoming Masters.

In 1864 the lodge had grown to 69 members. Fourteen of these joined the Union Army in the war of the Rebellion.

Warsaw Lodge has always co-operated with neighboring lodges in our great and good work, and our Worshipful Master Wm. C. Graves recommended a dispensation for Leesburg Lodge and it received a charter on January 25, 1865.

A new lodge, Lake City Lodge, formed under dispensation on October 27, 1867, and received its charter May 27, 1868.

On January 14, 1871, fire destroyed the Empire Building, forcing the lodge to meet in the Wright building at Lake and Center Streets. The charter, jewels, seal and part of the records were saved. At this time Warsaw Lodge No. 73 had 122 members, and Lake City Lodge was also progressing.

According to the records Warsaw Lodge No. 73 was very active in civic affairs, and in reading the early history of Kosciusko County, the individuals responsible for its development in a great many cases were Masons, evidently so engaged that the world at large would be convinced of the good effects of Masonry, and Masons should ever walk and act as such.

In generations past the Craft has long ago passed from operative Masonry to speculative Masonry, and as a symbol of that relationship, and acknowledgment that Masons are builders, always in mind their duty to God, their country, neighbor and self, they are requested to assist in the laying of corner stones of buildings dedicated to the service of mankind. An outstanding occasion of this kind took place A.D. May 25, 1882, AL5882, with the laying of the corner stone of the present Court House of Kosciusko County, by Grand Master Bruce Carr, at the northeast corner of the building in keeping with Masonic tradition. Likewise, on June 24, 1916, the corner stone of the Central School building was laid. Brother Lippencott was acting Grand Master, John C. Shepler, Deputy Grand Master, Roy Gorton Grand Senior Warden, Samuel DePoy Grand Junior Warden, Herschel V. Lehman, Grand Treasurer and Wm. C. Cronnan, Grand Secretary, officiating.

In 1883 fire destroyed the Wright House at which time Lake City Lodge No. 371 gave an invitation to combine the two lodges. How-

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CENTENNIAL PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 1949

7:30 p. m. (DST), Masonic Temple, Warsaw

Public Meeting—Men, Women, Children

Willard J. Cain—Master of Ceremonies

Invocation _____ Rev. Robert Spoolstra
Pastor Methodist Church, Milford, Indiana

Presentation of U. S. Flag _____ Knight Templars

Presentation of Christian Flag _____ Order of Eastern Star

Music _____ Shrine Chanters - Mizpah Temple

Trumpet Solo _____ Glenn Morehead

Reece Barton Pogue, 32^o _____ Hoosier Poet

Music _____ Shrine Chanters - Mizpah Temple

Presentation of the Grand Master by Joe C. Paxton, W.M.

Presentation - Award of Gold to James B. Pfeleiderer, by the Grand
Master

Closing Number _____ Shrine Chanters

FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 1949

Open House Party, 7:30 p. m.

Entertainment for everybody - Guests invited

Robert S. Zimmer, S.W. in charge

MONDAY, JUNE 6, 1949

CENTENNIAL BANQUET - 6:30 p. m.

Carl T. Zimmer, P.M. in charge

Served by Eastern Star - Assisted by Rainbow Girls

Open for all Masons and their Masonic Guests

\$1.25 per plate; MUST HAVE TICKETS BY JUNE 2. Purchase from
Secretary.

Stated Meeting - Warsaw Lodge - 7:30

Line Officers representing Brethren 100 years ago

Clarence Hartman, Narrator

Masonic Address _____ Hon. Samuel D. Jackson, 33^o and K.T.

PAST MASTERS

WARSAW LODGE, NO. 73, F. & A.M.

William Parks, 1849; Frederick A. Harris, 1850; William B. Barnett, 1851-52-54; William C. Graves, 1855-56-66-67-69-76-77; Charles W. Chapman, 1853-57-58-59-80-83-85; Theodore Davenport, 1860-63-70; George Moon, 1861-62-86; C. H. Aborn, 1864; James M. Leamon, 1865; John R. Wheeler, 1865; William G. Piper, 1871-72-73; Eugene A. Sheffield, 1874-75; Andrew J. Bates, 1878-79; Marcus A. Phillipson, 1881; H. C. Mallice, 1882; William H. Elder, 1884; James H. Cisney, 1887, Master at consolidation.

LAKE CITY LODGE NO. 371

James M. Leamon, 1867-68; O. H. Aborn, 1869-70, 2 mo. 71-78; J. D. Thayer, 1870—10 mo.; William Conrad, 1872-73-80-81-87, Master at consolidation; Hudson Beck, 1874; J. B. Webber, 1875-76-84-85-86; A. B. Raner, 1877; W. H. Eggleston, 1879; J. M. Bash, 1882; Charles McKay, 1883.

TWO LODGES CONSOLIDATED

LAKE CITY - Warsaw Lodge No. 73, F. & A.M.

George Moon _____	1887	Harvey B. Gerard _____	1915
John D. Widaman _____	1888	John C. Shepler _____	1916
H. D. Rose _____	1889	Samuel F. DePoy _____	1917
C. A. Schultz _____	1890	Stanley B. Dustman _____	1920
W. F. Maish _____	1891	Burton B. Foulke _____	1921-26
I. D. Webb _____	1892-93	Charles B. Taylor _____	1922
J. W. Lefever _____	1894	Homer F. Lewis _____	1923
Geo. B. Williams _____	1895	Everett E. Rasor _____	1924-25
C. E. Utley _____	1896-97	Hurford H. Jamison _____	1927
Charles F. Nye _____	1898-99-02	William J. Chinworth _____	1928
R. Parks White _____	1900	G. Harry Oram _____	1929
George W. Elliott _____	1901	Joseph Jones _____	1930
M. H. Summy _____	1903	Frederick C. Olds _____	1931
L. C. Wann _____	1904-05-06	Ezra M. Funk _____	1932
William C. Cronon _____	1907	George W. Lambert _____	1933
Frank M. Gift _____	1908-18-19	Maurice C. DePoy _____	1934
Herschel V. Lehman _____	1909	George H. Bowser _____	1935
Chas. J. Hessel _____	1910	Leland A. Kinsey _____	1936
Charles W. Webster _____	1911	Chester R. Jontz _____	1937
Austin Eichholtz _____	1912	Frank E. Brennan _____	1938
Flint E. Bash _____	1913	Frank O. Rarick _____	1939
Charles F. Sigler _____	1914	Rolla N. Luse _____	1940

CHANGED TO WARSAW LODGE NO. 73

Willard J. Cain _____	1941	Howard S. Dillman _____	1945
Carl T. Zimmer _____	1942	Ray L. Strayer _____	1946
G. Freeland Phillips _____	1943	J. Russell Fike _____	1947
Samuel M. Lowman _____	1944	J. Edward Lambert, Jr., _____	1948

GEORGE WILLIAM ELLIOTT



Brother George William Elliott was initiated an Entered Apprentice on February 26, 1886, passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft on March 19, 1886, and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on April 30, 1886.

Brother Elliott received his degrees in Syracuse Lodge No. 454, Syracuse, Indiana. He then transferred his membership to Kosciusko Lodge No. 418, Milford, Indiana. On July 5, 1897, Brother Elliott demitted to Lake City-Warsaw Lodge.

Brother Elliott served as Worshipful Master of Lake City-Warsaw Lodge in 1901. He being oldest living Past Master.

He was born in Adams County, Ohio, on March 6, 1861, and he is now residing at the Methodist Home at Warren, Indiana.

HERSCHEL V. LEHMAN

Herschel V. Lehman, born August 13, 1873, in Kosciusko County, has lived in this community his entire life. His profession is attorney-at-law. He was made an Entered Apprentice December 4, 1903, passed December 9, 1903, and raised December 18, 1903. He learned his lessons well, and his search for further light was rewarded as he became Senior Deacon in 1906, Junior Warden in 1907, Senior Warden in 1908, and Master in 1909, and to this day he has continued to be a good and faithful servant of the Craft, and as a Past Master exceeds all others in years of service. He has progressed in Masonry, and is a member of all York Rite bodies, as well as Scottish Rite.



50 YEARS A MASON

The Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons, State of Indiana, takes particular notice of Masons who have been traveling in search of further Light as just and upright Masons for a period of fifty years, and knows each will be rewarded as they behold that more glorious Light in the Lodge Above. But here and now it is fitting that award of gold 50 years a Mason be made, and each of the following Brothers, under the direct authorization of the Grand Lodge have been so honored, with the exception of Bro. Elmer Funk whose 50 years as a Mason has not quite been attained, but was so near, the committee desired his record to become a part of this memorial record. James Pfeleiderer has attained 50 years a Mason, and receives his award of gold during this Centennial observance.

THOMAS ALFONSO DYE



Brother Thomas Alfonso Dye was elected to membership in Lake City-Warsaw Lodge No. 73 on April 4, 1892. He was initiated as an Entered Apprentice on April 4, 1892, Passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft on April 18, 1892, and Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on May 12, 1892. He received his 50 year Button on June 9, 1942.

Brother Dye has been a Mason for 57 years.

Brother Dye was born at Columbia City, Indiana, on January 1, 1867.

Brother Dye has been a salesman in many Warsaw stores over the years.

CYRUS LEROY LEONARD

Brother Cyrus Leroy Leonard was elected to membership in Masonry in Silver Lake Lodge No. 587, Silver Lake, Indiana. He was initiated as an Entered Apprentice on March 10, 1893, passed to the degree of Fellow Craft on April 12, 1893, and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on April 25, 1893.



On May 29, 1901, Silver Lake Lodge No. 587 surrendered their Charter, and Brother Leonard affiliated with Lake City-Warsaw Lodge No. 73 on March 21, 1902. He received his 50 year button on March 24, 1944. Brother Leonard has been a Mason for 55 years.

Brother Leonard is a member of all York Rite Bodies in Warsaw.

Brother Leonard was born near Macy, Indiana, March 6, 1863. He served Kosciusko and Wabash counties as joint Senator during the sessions of the State Legislature 1921-23-25-27.

JOHN FREDERICK SHOUP



Brother John Frederick Shoup was elected to membership in Lake City-Warsaw Lodge No. 73, Warsaw, Indiana, on November 5, 1894. He was initiated as an Entered Apprentice on November 19, 1894, passed to the degree of Fellow Craft on December 3, 1894, and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on December 17, 1894. Brother Shoup received his 50 year Button on March 30, 1945.

Brother Shoup is a member of all York Rite Bodies in Warsaw.

Brother Shoup was born at Burbank, Ohio, on July 17, 1872. He held the office of Secretary of Lake City-Warsaw Lodge No. 73 from 1904 to 1907, then again in 1934 to 1939.

Brother Shoup was associated with the Red Cross for 25 years and General Chairman for 12 years.

JAMES BENJAMIN PFLEIDERER



Brother James Benjamin Pfeleiderer was initiated as an Entered Apprentice on February 20, 1899, Passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft on May 4, 1899, and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on May 15, 1899, thus obtaining his 50 years of membership on May 15, 1949.

Brother Pfeleiderer was born in Crawford County, Ohio, on June 16, 1877.

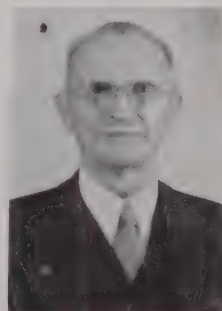
Brother Pfeleiderer is a member of the York Rite Bodies in Warsaw, also Scottish Rite of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Brother Pfeleiderer served Lake City-Warsaw Lodge No. 73 as Stewards during 1900, Senior Deacon 1901, Senior Warden 1902, declining the Master's chair because of his work.

Brother Pfeleiderer spent 33 years in Railroad Mail Service, recently retiring.

ELMER BRAMWELL FUNK

Brother Elmer Bramwell Funk was elected to membership in Lake City-Warsaw Lodge No. 73 on May 1, 1899. He was initiated an Entered Apprentice on September 18, 1899, Passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft on September 18, 1899, and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on October 16, 1899. Brother Funk will be eligible to receive his 50 year Button on October 16, 1949.



Brother Funk was born in Warsaw, Indiana, on January 20, 1876.

Brother Funk is a member of all York Rite Bodies in Warsaw. He served as secretary during 1901-04, and treasurer 1926-32 of Lake City-Warsaw. Brother Funk has been associated with the Lake City Bank, having served as its Executive Vice President for many years, and at the present time is Vice President.

WARSAW CHAPTER NO. 48
 ROYAL ARCH MASONS
 Chartered May 21, 1863
 1949 OFFICERS

LAWRENCE RIFE	E.H.P.
WILLIAM J. CRALL	King
HARRY L. CIRCLE	Scribe
WILLIAM R. HALL	Treas.
MAURICE DEPOY	Secy.
H. RAY McCARTNEY	C.H.
FRED C. AYLOE	P.S.
FREDERICK W. KLAAR	R.A.C.
RONALD F. REED	M.3V.
ELVIN N. BRALLIER	M.2V.
LESTER L. LEMLER	M.1V.
JESSE S. MILLER	Guard
WM. J. CRALL	Trustee
FRANK E. BRENNAN	Trustee
HARRY L. CIRCLE	Trustee

WARSAW COUNCIL NO. 88
 ROYAL AND SELECT MASONS
 Chartered October 11, 1911
 1949 OFFICERS

CARL M. BOGGS	I.M.
LEWIS F. LUCKENBILL	D.M.
CARL T. ZIMMER	P.C.W.
JAMES W. RILEY	Treas.
MAURICE C. DEPOY	Rec.
H. RAY McCARTNEY	C.Gd.
FRANK E. BRENNAN	C.C.
EARL E. WEST	Std.
D. LAMAR WOLFE	Sen.
CARL M. BOGGS	Trustee
JAMES B. PFLEIDERER	Trustee
H. RAY McCARTNEY	Trustee

WARSAW COMMANDERY NO. 10 K.T.

Chartered April 2, 1867

1949 OFFICERS

WILLIAM J. CRALL	E.C.
CLARENCE B. HARTMAN	G.
GEORGE E. PHILLIPS	C.G.
RUSSELL V. KNOOP	S.W.
LAWRENCE RIFE	J.W.
HARVEY B. GERARD	P.
ROBERT S. ZIMMER	Treas.
JESSE S. MILLER	Rec.
G. FREELAND PHILLIPS	St.B.
BYRON T. LESTER	Sw.B.
FRED C. HARTMAN	W.
HARRY L. CIRCLE	Sen.
DONALD C. WEIRICK	Trustee
JOHN W. DAVIS	Trustee
A. R. MILLS	Trustee

WARSAW CHAPTER NO. 88 ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Chartered April 24, 1889

1949 OFFICERS

Worthy Matron	LAVERNE RIFE
Worthy Patron	LAWRENCE RIFE
Associate Matron	DORCAS SMITH
Associate Patron	LAWRENCE SMITH
Secretary	EVA MILLER
Treasurer	HELEN LESTER
Conductress	ANN MARBLE
Associate Conductress	DORIS REED
Chaplain	HELEN McWHORTER
Marshal	CLOVER PAXTON
Organist	GENEAL WOLFORD
Adah	ELLEN LAMBERT
Ruth	BETTY MURTAUGH
Esther	FRANCES SHUE
Martha	CONNIE MILLER
Electa	BETTY CUMBERLAND
Warder	ETTA GALLOWAY
Sentinel	GLADYS STEVENS
Soloist	HELEN BOGGS
Past Grand Matron	MILDRED Y. SMITH

Indiana Grand Chapter O.E.S., 1944-45

Grand Representative MARGARET PHILLIPS

Trustees LOTTIE ZIMMER, NETTIE BERTSCH

WARSAW TEMPLE ASSOCIATION

LAWRENCE RIFE, President	JAMES B. PFLEIDERER
J. EDWARD LAMBERT, JR.	RAY McCARTNEY, Treasurer
RAY L. STRAYER, Secretary	DONALD E. WEIRICK
W. J. CRALL	JOHN W. DAVIS
FRANK E. BRENNAN	RUSSELL MILLS
HARRY L. CIRCLE	LOTTIE ZIMMER
CARL M. BOGGS	NETTIE BERTSCH

THE CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

During the year 1943, when Freeland Phillips was Master of Warsaw Lodge No. 73, he took due and timely notice of the fact our lodge would have reached the age of 100 years June 1, 1949. He felt it was not too soon to appoint a committee, with this in mind, with instructions so see that proper observance of this event would take place. This committee was composed of Willard Cain, Clarence Hartman, Leroy Leonard, Herschel Lehman, with the provision that each Master, thereafter to the time of the celebration, should become a member of the committee. This plan has been followed, with the exception of the addition of Carl Zimmer, Past Master, just previous to this period.

Past Master Phillips is to be complimented on his foresight, however, much of the work of the committee has been done in the last few weeks, but some of the plans have been in mind since the very appointment of the committee. The committee has been loyal, and has worked well as a whole, but it is proper to give special mention relating to their duties.

SAMUEL LOWMAN—Publicity, contact with local Masonic bodies.

EDWARD LAMBERT—History.

CLARENCE HARTMAN—Adaptation history for drama.

MAURICE DEPOY—Secretary. (The remarks contained in the history relative to him apply here, also).

RAY L. STRAYER—Contact with the Kosciusko County Lodges, and those close about.

HOWARD DILLMAN—Assignment same as Ray Strayer.

FREELAND PHILLIPS—The Memorial Booklet, herewith.

HERSCHEL LEHMAN, LEROY LEONARD — Co-operation with many years of membership as background.

CARL T. ZIMMER—Centennial Banquet.

JOE PAXTON—Worshipful Master, co-ordination of Centennial Program, execution by present officers.

WILLARD CAIN—Chairman.

IN MEMORIUM



Dedicated to the memory of our Ancient and beloved Brethren; who 100 years ago organized Warsaw Lodge No. 73 F. & A.M.; and to those who have labored through the years. Many of whom have passed to that undiscovered country, from whose bourne no traveler returns; and have received, from the Grand Architect of the Universe, the reward of a well spent life. Some are still invested with power to impart true Masonic knowledge; and truth to less informed Brethren.



On pages; we cannot trace (for you)
A statue, fit to marble grace.
For: As these lines we pen,
Still; a thought of you doth blend,
Of a true and common friend;
Who, in life has made
A monument; or strayed
With us in some pleasant shade.
And may your life remind us;
That
To each of **us** is given a kit of tools;
A shapeless mass; and a book of rules;
And each must hew, ere life has flown,
A stumbling block; or a stepping stone.

By HARVEY B. GERARD, P.M. 1915

ever, the consolidation did not take place until June 10, 1887, under the name of Lake City Warsaw Lodge No. 73.

In 1924 Lake City-Warsaw Lodge No. 73 laid the corner stone for its present Masonic Temple which is second to none in a city of this size. In May of 1940, the name was change to the original name of Warsaw Lodge No. 73. The finances of the lodge are in good condition and the excellent building is now used nearly every night of the week by one of its organizations which consists of the Blue Lodge, York Rite Bodies, Eastern Star and Rainbow Girls. This full use of the Temple is made possible to a large degree by our custodian and secretary, Bro. Maurice DePoy, who belongs to all the York Rite bodies as well as the Scottish Rite, and is known far and wide for his untiring efforts for the convenience and well being of all members, and when the gavel sounds at any meeting, all can be sure the proper furniture will be in place, all things will be in order, for he has ever been prompt and faithful to his trust.

Our doors are open six days every week, and our welcome and hospitality is enjoyed by many visiting brothers from coast to coast. Drop in, brothers, we'll say "Howdy, Brother," so you will want to come back, and we know no institution was ever built on a more solid foundation, and when another 100 years rolls around, the institution will stand just and upright, even as the Masons of which it is composed.



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